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of The Manfreds on Page 13.**

**Local RAF Reservists on  
DIY mission. See Page 4.**

## Our new toilets will be bog standard, says council after 'robo loo' row

**PORTHCAWL** is well-known around the UK (and sometimes internationally) for a number of things.

There's the many variations on waves breaking over the harbour light.

The Royal Porthcawl Golf Club has been acclaimed (by golf legend Tom Watson) as "the best course not on the Open rota in the UK".

Many people remember that Paul Robeson once sang to the Miners' Eisteddfod in the Grand Pavilion over the transatlantic phone line.

And there's the Elvis Festival of course, which has brought the town fame.

But now we can add to that list, 'Porthcawl's anti-sex loo'.

It all started when the Local Democracy Reporting Service wrote a routine article on Porthcawl Town Council's plans to violent movement

demolish the existing toilet block at Griffin Park and replace it with a new block, costing £170,000 in total.

Porthcawl Town Council (PTC) would contribute £135,000 and Bridgend County Borough Council (BCBC) £35,000. The existing facilities are due to close in October while the demolition and construction of the new building takes place.

In the 'Design and Access statement' were a number of hi-tech features. The toilets could "not only self-clean but also include room sensors and deterrent measures to limit anti-social behaviour".

The report continued: "The planning documents detail a range of security features, which include weight sensitive floors to ensure there is only one user at a time – safeguarding against vandalism or inappropriate sexual activity."

Meanwhile any movement

will automatically open doors and sound high-pitched alarms with a fine water jet soaking the individual cubicles.

"A restricted time entry will help deter rough sleeping with an audible warning and waterproof spray combined with the lights and heating being switched off, and fire and dousing equipment will help prevent smoking and drug-taking within cubicles."

In Porthcawl, the report sparked a great deal of discussion, with locals concerned that they could get soaked if the toilet deemed they had taken too long or unwittingly transgressed.

Carers for people who needed assistance wanted reassurance that the 'anti sex' alarm would not go off while they were in there. So far, so local, but then news media picked up the story and it went international.

In the UK, Sky News and both The Guardian

and the Daily Mail covered the story.

In common with

many other media outlets, it was the 'anti sex' aspect that proved irresistible.

Before long, the

story was appearing around the world, from Australia to Nebraska, to mention just two places, and it sparked a feeding frenzy that lasted over the weekend.

Porthcawl town councillors were keeping a low profile, although a few went on social media to say it was all news to them.

It was not until

Monday that an official statement was released by PTC, where it was

accepted that an error

had been made in the Design and Access Statement, and that features had been included that the council never had any intention of using.

The statement said it would be a traditional, bog standard facility, and would be cleaned

by human cleaners, not building facilities will be complete in Spring 2020.

The full statement from PTC is as follows: "In April 2019 was recently submitted. Porthcawl Town Council agreed to proceed with a new build toilet facility at Griffin Park. The Town Council has continued to progress this intention with vigour to ensure that the new

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## Pupils celebrate A-Levels



**Porthcawl Comprehensive School pupils were celebrating a 97 per cent A-Level pass rate this year. See more details on Page 3.**



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## Bad decision to close the Sam Davies Ward

THE decision to close the Sam Davies ward is very bad news for both the people of Barry and Wales NHS.

Any family with an aged parent should consider the consequence of visiting Llandough hospital or, even worse, Heath hospital daily to visit a recovering relative who would normally be moved to Barry hospital.

But the main party to be concerned should be those hospitals. Post-operative home care for elderly patients is in crisis, and the option of transferring patients to a local hospital like Barry is a vital means of freeing specialist care beds. I do not know the comparative costs of a bed at the Heath and Sam Davies ward but it must be considerable. The South Glamorgan Community Health Council are failing to see the big picture and I guess this is because they are just looking at their own purses. This is a very bad decision by accountants and should be reviewed urgently.

I Robinson, Rhoose.

## Public had a say in naming Sam Davies Ward

I HAVE noted from your publication that there is a desire to close the Sam Davies ward at Barry Hospital.

This would be a pity: the naming of a Sam Davies ward was instigated when the public were asked to name a new ward in the Barry Accident Hospital. At the time Sam was our GP and his work was fantastic.

My late wife, Gwyneth passed away 33 years ago after being looked after by Sam for quite a number of years that she suffered from cancer.

Gwyneth wrote to the local press suggesting the name of the ward as 'The Sam Davies Ward', and I am proud to say her suggestion was taken up.

John A Mason, Barry.

## Leave The Butts alone!

I WRITE in support of last week's letter by John Sherwood and previous letters regarding the proposed development at The Butts, Cowbridge.

It is not often that an opportunity presents itself to make visual improvements to the character of a town. This is such an example.

The proposed Exchange building is surely inappropriate in the currently proposed position, for both practical and aesthetic reasons. In addition, the perspective sketch previously printed in The GEM is in my view very much exaggerated in that the High Street frontage appears to be considerably longer than it actually is (a device not unknown which is used to flatter a proposed design).

A previous correspondent questioned the proposed character of the Exchange, which gives the impression of a Swiss chalet, rather than creating an architectural aesthetic which is compatible with this conservation area.

Come on planners, let's have an imaginative rethink before it's too late.

Nigel Lewis, Cowbridge.

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## Porthcawl's pavement problems

I TOTALLY agree with the lady who wrote in about the pavements in Porthcawl. I am one more unlucky one who is permanently in a mobility scooter and have not found any pavements that I can drive on. If I need to go to the Co-op I now drive on the road, for which I think I probably need a licence but haven't got one. As long as I watch the road there are slightly fewer bumps.

If we could have a promise of when these might be done, it would mean that I, and a great many other people who use scooters and wheelchairs, would at least have something to look forward to.

I live overlooking the Esplanade so see how many scooters use the pavements. It's a lot.

Let's hope something gets done now that has been brought to the Council, but I don't think I'll hold my breath.

Doreen Jarrett, Porthcawl.

## How will the Health Board show it is meeting needs?

THE Health Board's information sheet claims 'we listened' to the community engagement.

But their exhibition was very poor and plans have expanded since April.

It now intends to cram Albert Road GP practice and many clinics into a tight building.

It has now discovered that access to the wellbeing centre 'may present difficulties'. An understatement by far: most patients from the two GP services are from north and south Penarth and the option of walking to their local surgery.

The Health Board was told an access separate from the Leisure Centre is needed, close to a bus stop and with vehicle drop-off and disabled parking close by. Frail and disabled patients hate the large hospital car parks and busy entrances, so why repeat the mistake here?

It was told a pharmacy should be provided in the hub. An obvious point in view of the large numbers, the lack of a pharmacy in Cogan, and when Welsh policy is to integrate pharmacy services as in the comparable new West Quay health centre in Barry.

Neither issue is mentioned in the Health Board's information sheet.

It talks of works to improve the road layout, without mentioning the dreadful junction on to the main Windsor Road which probably calls for a roundabout.

It talks of buses and trains to Cogan, without promising they will bring pavements up to standard between stops and the hub. Steep slopes unmanageable for wheelchairs and no pavements across car parks can only be rectified by significant money and joint planning, including Transport for Wales.

As a Welsh government body, the Health Board is required to meet active travel and disabled access standards. The public needs to see new plans showing they will do this.

Anne Greagsby, Penarth.

## 'Very little warning given over change to recycling

I AM sure there are many people in Cowbridge and the Vale who have received the recent letter concerning bin collections.

The letter was incredibly badly written and gave very little warning as to the various changes to be implemented by the council. The final straw was that on visiting the library to collect the various bags, boxes, etc we were informed that there had only been 55 bags available for the whole area, and that there were none to be available in the foreseeable future.

I have scoured the council site to find a name of a person who has any further information on this whole process and who can point us in the right direction to move forward in readiness for the proposed date of August 19 (having only received the letter on August 9).

The Vale area has been in total chaos in many aspects in the last eight months, not least the abominable way that it has shut off so many roads to the east and the west. It has taken me 90 minutes to commute 13 miles into Cardiff at times. Is there really anyone in the offices in Barry who is capable of actually organising what should be straightforward tasks?

There strikes me that there is a total lack of leadership and collaboration between departments. It might well be useful to call a public meeting to discuss a way forward.

Suzanne Jones, Llanblethian.

## What will become of The Kymin?

WOULD any readers of The GEM have knowledge of what the future bodes for the use of The Kymin house and grounds adjacent to Penarth sea front?

Since the 1980s, after it was vacated by the town clerk, The Kymin house and grounds have been managed by Penarth Town Council and the Vale Council respectively; and have been well used for a variety of public and private events, including weddings.

Over the years many small societies and educational groups have regularly held meetings there. Once, groups played petanque and held barbecues in the grounds, which also provided an area to relax away from the activities of a busy seafront.

Over the last 20 or 30 years, most open spaces in Penarth town have been filled in with buildings. A school, church and several public houses which were redundant were converted for residential use, denying the opportunity for them to be adapted for community use.

Should The Kymin be permanently closed to the public it will be another green space lost forever.

V Bird, Penarth.

## Garden party thanks

RECENTLY the Sing With Us (Barry) held a garden party at Nant Talwg Way on behalf of Tenovus.

Over 60 people attended, the sun came out just in time, Prosecco was drunk and food was eaten.

It was a lovely afternoon made better with the knowledge that we made a grand total of £675 just for being with friends and having fun.

We would like to thank the following people and businesses who donated the amazing raffle prizes: Morrisons, Tesco, The Gallery, High Street; Made in Wales, High Street; Mark Jordan 2, High Street; Barry Town United FC and RIM Motors, Barry.

Lynda Fraser, Barry.

## Don't feel blue about new recycling regime

IN 2017, Bridgend County Borough Council announced plans to make relatively small changes to the way residents should separate their domestic waste.

It was heralded as part of a drive for a cleaner, greener Bridgend, but was more likely to be down to the terms of the contract agreed with Kier, the service provider.

Irrespective of that, politicians – from community councillors to AMs and MPs – echoed the howls of protest from doomsayers who prophesied that it would lead to more flytipping, a poorer service, would not work, and would generally usher in the End of Days.

In reality, it of course did not. There were a few teething troubles, which was to be expected, but the council and the contractor gave residents a period of grace to get used to the new system.

The only significant problem was in relation to the new purple bags to collect child and adult incontinence waste, but this seems to have, generally, been addressed.

I still hear the occasional moan that flytipping has increased in the borough, but this seems anecdotal. Those who flytip, will flytip, and the overwhelming majority of such illegally-dumped waste appears to be less domestic, and more commercial.

So, to the Vale's Cassandra's, the world will not end when these fairly minor changes are introduced, you will get used to it, and in a few months, you'll be wondering just why you made such a fuss.

In the words of my namesake, Corporal Jones, "Don't panic!"

C.O. Jones, Nottage.

## HIGH TIDE TIMES

The high tides listed in this week's Gem are those in Porthcawl. It should be remembered that along the coast, high tides times will vary. For instance, in Barry the high point will be 20-25 minutes later.

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27/08/2019	04.13	8.2
27/08/2019	16.46	8.4
28/08/2019	05.22	8.6
28/08/2019	17.49	9.1
29/08/2019	06.19	9.3
29/08/2019	18.41	9.8

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# Cash injection for Porthcawl Museum



Lions president Joan Cosson presenting museum chairman Paul Joseph with the cheque surrounded by volunteers from both organisations

A CHEQUE for £1,000 has been awarded to Porthcawl Museum by members of the town's Lions club.

The money was presented to Paul Joseph, chairman of the museum and historical society, by Lions president Joan Cosson at a gathering last week.

Porthcawl's branch of Tools for Self-Reliance, which collects old tools and sends them to community groups in several African countries, will be helping the museum on its quest for display items.

Mr Joseph said: "The museum and the Lions have a strong relationship and in fact many of the Lions are also active volunteers at the museum. This is a reciprocal relationship, which benefits both organisations."

Staff at the museum will use the helpful cash boost to create a peace garden on a plot of land at the rear of the venue which was once used as an exercise area for prisoners and currently houses an original Anderson shelter.

And Ms Cosson added: "The museum is an asset to the town and the Lions were pleased that this donation will help in its continued growth."

## A-Level success celebrated in Porthcawl



THIS year several standout performers who achieved three A's or better in Porthcawl Comprehensive School, 114 students sat 446 qualifications, with a pass rate (A\* to E) of 97.2 per cent, with 25.5 per cent at A/A\*.

A spokesperson said: "Pupils at AS and A2 have had their endeavour rewarded by their results. There is a large debt of gratitude for teachers who have worked so hard once again this year and for parents who have supported their sons and daughters." "[their] hard work and steadfast dedication".

There were, according to the spokesperson, AS

## Robot loo row in Porthcawl

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"Unfortunately, the Town Council's enthusiasm and intentions have been misinterpreted.

"The Town Council are committed to providing new toilets that will be of good quality and of the Design and Access traditional construction. Statement. The Town Council has never had any intention of installing any floor or other in the construction. The movement sensors, any Town Council wish to restricted time entry, provide a traditional there will not be water facility, which is clean, sprays, or self-opening accessible, regularly doors, no weight sensitive maintained and that five floor and no dousing complies with planning and public health in the statement.

"An interesting feature of this year's entry is the number of pupils who applied for and have been accepted to read Medicine at university," said the spokesperson.

Head Teacher Mr Slade commented: "This series of results will ensure Porthcawl pupils

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## A-Level joy at Ysgol Llanhari



PUPILS, staff, and parents of Ysgol Llanhari were able to celebrate the A-Level results, leading to a spokesperson saying:

"We are delighted that 71 per cent of all grades achieved were A\*-C grades and 98 per cent were grades A\*-E."

They went on: "Some

76 per cent of the pupils

attained two or more

education at university."

## Bridgend College students celebrate A-Level success



**B R I D G E N D** College's 6th Form College (partnered with **Pencoed Comprehensive School**) reported a successful A-Level results day with the overall results A\* - E rising to 99.4 per cent.

Simon Pirotte, CEO and Principal of Bridgend College, said: "We are so proud of the achievements of all our students today, both at Bridgend College and Penybont 6th Form. Some of the results we have seen have been nothing short of incredible and we wish all the students good luck and success in the future."

Overall, 59 Year 13 students are celebrating their 'A' Level results with an increase (based on provisional data),

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## Air rifle club holds its AGM

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Chairman Basil George welcomed attendees and thanked the management of the social club for their support throughout the year. The club has been in existence for well over 120 years and has played a big part in the Bridgend Air Rifle League throughout that period.

In 1969 the club had 25 to 30 active members, and decided to field two teams in the Bridgend League - The Hawks and The Eagles. Both teams in more recent years have had trouble in finding full teams, so the club has decided to revert back to one Ewenny team for the coming 2019/2020 season.

The club's accounts for 2018/2019 were presented by treasurer Bryn Richards, who was thanked by all for his continued support and dedication to the post. It was stated that it took just £1,000 per year to run the club.

It was reported that neither the Hawks nor the Eagles team was too successful in the Bridgend League for 2018/2019, but the Eagles were runners-up in the Edgar Williams Fours competition. The Hawks took the Wooden Spoon on 01656 654440.

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## Maesteg pupils celebrate A-Level success



**MAESTEG School pupils celebrated another year of success in last week's A level results.**

The school reported that 96 per cent of pupils achieved three A-Levels at grade A\*-E with more than 40 per cent of pupils achieving three at grades A\*-C.

Helen Jones, Head Teacher, said: "A quarter of our pupils achieved A\*-B grades and have set the bar for our year 12 pupils who have achieved the most promising set of AS results in the school's recent history."

"We are pleased to see so many of our pupils gaining places at some of the country's top universities and securing valuable apprenticeships."

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## A-Level success celebrated at St Clare's School



**SIXTH Form pupils of St Clare's School are celebrating after receiving their A-Level results. SOME 65 per cent of grades were A\*/B compared to 51 per cent nationally while 40 per cent of grades were A\*/A compared to 25.2 per cent.**

Twenty-one per cent of pupils achieved AAB or higher in at least two facilitating subjects.

Helen Hier, Head Teacher, said: "We are immensely proud of our students"

achievements and it is a pleasure to celebrate with them today after all their hard work. We are delighted that so many students have secured places at their first-choice universities, to read subjects such as Medicine, Engineering, Pharmacy, and Accounting.

"We wish them every success in their continued studies and future careers."

A spokesperson said that the 2019 A-Level grades build on the results seen in previous years. This year, 40 per cent of grades were at A\*-A, 65 per cent at A\*/B and 89 per cent of grades were at A\*-C.

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## 614 Squadron flies to DIY SOS



**ROYAL Air Force Reservists from 614 County of Glamorgan Squadron, Cardiff volunteered at the Leonard Cheshire home Danybry in Radyr last weekend as part of the part of the Squadron's commitment to give back to the local community.**

A team of 11 volunteers flew in DIY SOS style to paint the fences, gates and garden benches that sit in and around the Victorian buildings' extensive grounds that are usually maintained by just three regular volunteers. Corporal Cathy Sharples from Penarth came up with the idea of volunteering after discovering the RAF connection with Leonard Cheshire. She said: "This charity is doing such a great job, we just want to do anything we can to improve the environment for residents."

Leonard Cheshire is a charity formed in 1948, and named after its founder, a former RAF pilot. They provide support and nursing care for disabled adults. Leonard Cheshire was born in 1917 and like many young men and women, signed up to fight for

his country in the Second World War. He was assigned to Bomber Command and became one of the RAF's youngest commanding officers. His legendary war career included eight months leading No. 617 Squadron - the Dambusters - and he became the most highly decorated bomber pilot when he was awarded the Victoria Cross in 1944. At the end of the conflict, Leonard realised that he was one of the lucky ones and was seized with a desire to make the world a better place. Many ventures failed until he received a call from a local hospital, asking if an acquaintance who was dying could come and live with him. This started a lifetime of humanitarian work with disabled people, fighting injustice and working towards a society in which everyone is equally valued.

Another volunteer, Senior Aircraftman Jamie Scott, 27 from Bridgend said: "This has been such a great experience. It's amazing how much we managed to do in a short space of time. It was a real team effort and I hope the residents enjoy their garden even more now."

## Social worker to be removed from register because of bias

**A RETIRED social worker is to be removed from the Register of Social Care Workers after a Social Care Wales hearing found his fitness to practise was impaired because of serious misconduct.**

Charles Faber, from the Vale of Glamorgan, worked as a social worker for CAFCASS Cymru for more than 14 years, latterly acting as a court-appointed child guardian.

In 2015 Mr Faber was appointed as the guardian for a young child who was the subject of a care order by Swansea City Council, but concerns were raised about Mr Faber's independence.

Explaining his decision, the panel said: "We have concluded that Mr Faber's contact with the child's mother was excessive to the point that it created a perception of bias.

"His actions created risk of harm to the child through delay in decision-making and to the mother in creating unrealistic expectations."

The panel decided

saying: "Mr Faber's lack of insight is such that a Removal Order is proportionate and appropriate to meet the risk to the public."

It continued: "The actions taken by Mr Faber in the child's case could have given rise to serious harm and the lack of judgement he showed could be repeated if he were free to return to practise in regulated social work."

"His lack of willingness to reflect and remedy the impairment of his fitness to practise means the risk we have identified cannot be sufficiently mitigated through the imposition of any lesser disposal." Mr Faber did not attend the four-day hearing at Social Care Wales's Cardiff office last week. Mr Faber will be removed from the Register of Social Care Workers on 19 September 2019.

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# Man arrested and fake tobacco seized as police crackdown on crime

POLICE hit the streets of Bridgend town centre recently in a bid to clamp down on anti-social behaviour in the area.

Officers arrested a man on suspicion of theft, seized 300 packets of counterfeit tobacco, confiscated alcohol and carried out a string of stop searches.

They were out in force patrolling some of the town's known hotspots as part of an ongoing operation to stamp out crime, anti-social behaviour and street drinking.

Several boxes of nitrous oxide gas cannisters were seized. He explained: "Drug use and supply, street drinking and anti-social behaviour are consistently highlighted as some of the main concerns of traders and the community who visit the town centre.

"This day of action was not a one-off and is part of a continued effort to crackdown on these issues to ensure the town remains a safe



in the town as part of whom stopped to thank the day of action was speak to our officers to community and traders welcomed by members provide us with some for their information of the public, many valuable information. I and support."

Other action taken and pleasant place to by police on the day work, live and visit." included handing out 35 PC Thomas added: dispersal notices which "Our increased presence

## Barry Island's 'sand art' with a message



VISITORS to Barry Island were greeted this week by a piece of sand art 50 metres tall and 100 metres wide with a simple message: Bin it!

The message is timed to coincide with the August Bank Holiday weekend.

Cllr Neil Moore, Leader of the Council, said: "August Bank Holiday is typically one of the busiest weekends.

"We want to make sure that this year it is also one of the cleanest.

"A sunny day can attract tens of

thousands of people. The vast majority dispose of their litter responsibly but sadly there are still some who do not.

"It is with them in mind that we have made the message as easy to understand as possible.

"Two simple words; Bin it!

"There are 70 bins along the promenade at Barry Island and more than 100 in total across the resort.

"There are no excuses for not using these and we are making it easier than ever for people to find them with new signs and banners being installed this

week."

The artwork unveiled today is the first of three that will be created over the remainder of the summer season and is the work of local artist Din Evans.

The council scales up its waste management operation at the resort during the summer.

The beach is raked and a litter pick carried out every morning, while there is extra litter picking on weekend evenings.

In addition to this, the council has installed water fountains to help people cut down on single-use plastics.

## Celebrating 20 years of friendship



IT was a grand Mayor of St Sébastien, Laurent Turquoise, responded in English.

The pair then signed the reaffirmation charters, exchanged gifts and cut a special 20th anniversary cake.

**TALKING TACTICS:**  
Officers discuss their plan of action as Operation Chichester gets underway in Bridgend town centre on August 8. (Photo supplied by South Wales Police).

The celebrations continued with singing and dancing led by Ukulele Bandits in English, Welsh and French and came to a grand conclusion with the singing of La Marseillaise.

Cllr Graham Walter spoke in French welcoming our visitors, and the was had by all."

### BRIDGEND COUNTY BOROUGH COUNCIL CYNGOR BWRDEISTREF SIROL PEN-Y-BONT AR OGWR

I give notice that the following applications have been made. The application documents can be viewed during normal office hours at the Civic Offices, Angel Street, Bridgend CF31 4WB or on the planning page of the Council website. Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications on land use planning grounds should write to the Council at the address above or by the date specified in the application or submit them online. Applications received on site/online are not acknowledged. Any representations submitted will be open to public inspection and objectors/supporters may be identified on the internet. The Development Control Committee operates public speaking arrangements. If you wish to register an intent to speak at Committee (should the application not be processed under delegated powers) please indicate in your response. For more information tel: 01656 643675.

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#### TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (DEVELOPMENT MANAGEMENT PROCEDURE) (WALES) ORDER 2012 P/19/555/FUL

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#### P/19/581/BCB

Strengthening and public realm improvements to the Grade II listed walls of the outer basin and

eastern promenade (associated with the wider Sandy Bay Coastal Risk Management Works) - Eastern Promenade

Porthcawl by BCBC Flood & Coastal Management

#### P/19/583/BCB

Strengthening and

repair works to the Grade II listed western breakwater (associated with the wider Sandy Bay Coastal Risk Management Works) - Porthcawl Western Breakwater Porthcawl by BCBC Flood & Coastal Management

#### P/19/586/LIS

Reinstatement of fire

damaged residential house - 49 High

Street Laleston by Mr & Mrs Pike

#### P/19/582/LIS

see details above for

P/19/583/BCB

RESPOND BY: 11/09/2019

Coastal Management  
P/19/573/FUL Retention of 8 silos in connection with the existing cement facility until December 2048 - Parc Stormy Mount Pleasant Road Stormy Down by Cenin Renewables Ltd. The above proposed development does not accord with the provisions of the development plan in force in the area in which the land to which this application relates is situated.

RESPOND BY: 04/09/2019

#### PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS & CONSERVATION AREAS) ACT 1990 LISTED BUILDING CONSENT

P/19/568/LIS Reinstatement of fire

damaged residential house - 49 High

Street Laleston by Mr & Mrs Pike

#### P/19/582/LIS

see details above for

P/19/583/BCB

RESPOND BY: 11/09/2019

Jonathan Parsons - Group Manager Planning and Development Services / Rheolwr Grŵp Gwasanaethau Cydnlluo a Datblygu 22/08/2019

# Heavy rain fails to dampen Marie Curie garden party in Cowbridge



The Cowbridge fundraising committee for Marie Curie held a successful garden party on Friday, August 16.

Although the event is usually held in the town's Physic Garden, the large number of attendees moved instead to the nearby Old Hall building.

John Roberts, the chair of the fundraising committee, said: "Over £2,000 was raised which goes to help the work at Holme Tower hospice in Penarth."



Photographs by Mike Wilcock (wilcock60@aol.com)



## Ocean Film Festival is heading for Porthcawl

THE Ocean Film Festival World Tour is heading for Porthcawl's Grand Pavilion on September 11 with a brand-new collection of spectacular ocean-themed films.

Visiting more than 35 locations, the event involves a selection of short films telling seafaring stories from both above and below the water's surface.

Witness mind-blowing marine life, wild adventures and stunning cinematography – all on the big screen!

"From surfers to fisherman, and marine scientists to artists, these films feature fascinating characters who have dedicated their lives to the sea's salt spray," says tour director Nell Teasdale.

"This is your chance to dip your toes into the wonders of the big blue – from the comfort of a cinema seat!"

As well as mesmerising films, each screening will see a free prize giveaway to win ocean-related goodies too.

The Ocean Film Festival World Tour originated in Australia, with the aim of inspiring people to explore, respect, enjoy and protect the oceans, and this is the sixth year that it has toured the UK and Ireland.

To find out more, watch the trailer and book tickets, visit [www.oceanfilmfestival.co.uk](http://www.oceanfilmfestival.co.uk).

Film highlights from the 2019 Ocean Film Tour include:

### *A Peace Within*

Philip Gray is known as an extreme artist, but painting underwater is his biggest challenge yet! *A Peace Within* joins Philip as he ventures below the surface to paint Mexico's astounding cenotes – clear-water subterranean pools, viewed by the ancient Mayans as gateways to the afterlife.

### *Surfer Dan*

Sun, sea and sand typically come to mind when you think about surfing, but this is not your typical surfing film. Landlocked ocean-lover Dan Schetter lives on the shores of Lake Superior in Michigan where, in winter, strong winds across the water create deadly currents, icebergs and... waves. Known for being the crazy guy with an icy beard who catches waves in January, this is Dan's story.

### *I am Fragile*

This stunning short film showcases the spectacular landscapes and wildlife of the remote Arctic, creating a lasting visual message that will inspire all who watch it to protect this wild yet fragile region. Shot across 6,000km, from West Greenland to Canada, this is a love letter to the spell-binding frozen north.



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# Events at Barry library

A QUIZ with prizes to be won will take place on Saturday, August 31 at Barry Library from 2pm – 3.30pm. Cost £3 per family.

There is to be a talk by author Amanda Prowse on Thursday, September 5 from 7pm – 8.30pm at Barry library. Entry £2 includes a glass of wine and a free signed copy of one of her books.

Tickets for all events from Barry library.

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# A-Level success at Christ College Brecon



CHRIST College Brecon is celebrating yet another successful year for its A-level pupils. Pupils have achieved excellent A Level results, with an outstanding pass rate of 99.4 per cent. Overall, 39 per cent of all grades were A/A\* and 69 per cent A\*/B. These results are above national averages and the average points score per candidate was 137 which is broadly equivalent to AAB.

Performance in English Literature was strong with 75 per cent of grades achieved an A\*/A with 50 per cent at the same level in Geography, Spanish, French, Art, Photography and extended project.

Based on these results, many pupils from Christ College will proceed to universities including Russell Group institutions to study for highly selective courses.

Head of Christ College, Gareth Pearson, said: "I am delighted with this set of results, achieved through hard work, self-discipline and perseverance. With all subjects now linear and involving more stretch and challenge, we are delighted that performance across the board has held up well in this more academically demanding environment. These results will enable our pupils to go forward positively to the next stage in their lives.

"The dedicated staff at the school are all committed to the success and fulfilment of our pupils and believe that a whole person approach is key to achieving this, a belief reinforced by such positive results. Although we will

be sad to see them go, we wish them all the best and have confidence they will all go on to achieve brilliant things with bright futures ahead of them."

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# Cathedral School pupils celebrate A-Level success

THE Cathedral School, Llandaff, has reported what a spokesperson called "... outstanding results" at A-Level, with its Year 13 pupils achieving three A grades exclusively to their hard work and A\*/A grades. The overall excellent teaching pass rate was 100 percent.

A third of students achieved three A grades or better, with almost a third taking the Extended Project Qualification, securing 100 per cent A\*/A grades. Clare Sherwood, Head of the school said: "We are absolutely thrilled very best as they take

Once again, the most that our pupils have their next step on their common grade was A, achieved such outstanding results, which is down

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# Cadets take to the skies

AIR Cadets from 372 Barry Squadron recently experienced the thrills and excitement of flying in the modern Grob Tutor training aircraft, as used by the Royal Air Force.

The cadets gained a valuable insight into the aircraft's flying

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# Uh-huh, it is The Manfreds!



ORIGINALLY formed in 1991 to celebrate guitarist Tom McGuinness' 50th birthday, The Manfreds show no sign of stopping.

Made up of four members of the original Manfred Mann, who had hits with 'Mighty Quinn', 'Pretty Flamingo' and 'Do Wah Diddy Diddy' among many others, it features guitarist Tom McGuinness, keyboard player Mike Hugg (who formed the Mann Hugg Blues Brothers in 1962 with Manfred Mann), and original singer Paul Jones – along with Marcus Cliffe on bass, Simon Currie on sax and flute plus Rob Townsend on drums.

The band had a sell-out tour of New Zealand earlier this year, a tour which put a smile on singer Paul Jones' face. "It was terrific!" he said; "So well organised and really enjoyable."

Paul has been on the road for over 50 years, firstly with Manfred Mann then as a solo act, then in musical theatre and now as a 'Manfred'. He also tours with The Blues Band with fellow Manfred Tom McGuinness and as a duo with fellow Blues Band-mate Dave Kelly. With such a hectic schedule I wondered if there is a secret to keeping his voice in prime condition.

"Well, I warm up before a show as one is supposed to and I've got exercises that I do. To be honest though, I only started to do that in the late 70's when I went to a vocal teacher. Back in the early days I sometimes misused my voice, and if that happened I just screeched my way through a

show. There were so many girls screaming that nobody noticed.

"But when I went into musical theatre I realised that there was nowhere to hide, so I started seeing this vocal teacher which lasted through to the late 80's, and I'm very grateful to that teacher."

Paul laughs. "I also started going to a dance teacher, but he didn't have the same success with me." For the tour, the band has had to make some changes, Paul explained: "Yes well, keyboard player and founder member Mike Hugg, and our drummer Rob Townsend are both hors de combat. So we've brought in Mike Gorman, who played on bassist Marcus Cliffe's new album on keys, and the excellent Frank Tontoh on drums."

Apparently Frank has a Manfreds' connection: "That's right. A few years ago we released an album called 'Uncovered', which was an album of cover versions. One of the tracks we did was 'Sunshine Day' which had been a hit for the band Osibisa. Frank's dad was in Osibisa and co-wrote the song."

And what can we expect to hear on the tour this year? "We have a couple of new things. There's a feature tune from sax player Simon Currie from his new album, and bassist Marcus

will be featured on a song from his new album – a Curtis Mayfield song called 'People Get Ready'.

"How Lucky Can One

Man Be" is a song from Tom McGuinness' latest album and there'll be one from my current

album 'Straighten Up And Fly

Right', which was written by Nat

'King' Cole. The rest will be pretty much all Manfred Mann songs, but probably a few more obscure EP and album tracks as well as the hits. Also, there'll be the odd song that we never recorded in a studio, but did on the radio."

This is no doubt prompted by the recent release of four CDs of radio recordings by the Jones era Manfred Mann, the Mike D'Abo era Manfred Mann, Manfred Mann Chapter Three and Manfred Mann's Earth Band. Even with the band's vast catalogue of hits, Paul can still pick out a few favourites. "Well, because I wrote them, '5 4 3 2 1' and 'The One In The Middle'. I'm very fond of those, but also 'Smokestack Lightning' because it's the blues and right up my street.

"I also admire 'Oh No Not My Baby'. Mind you if we had been allowed to write more I might have had a different answer."

The Portsmouth-born singer is looking forward to the UK dates. "We shall attack them with gusto and some musical expertise. "Don't miss this. Firstly because it's a line-up you may never hear again and we fire off each other, and secondly – because we look really stupid when there's no-one there. What's important is the people who are there."

The Manfreds will be bringing their hits, jazz and blues show to The Grand Pavilion, Porthcawl on Saturday, September 7; tickets are available from the box office on 01656 815995 and all the usual agencies.

Martin Hutchinson

## Patron's Day service at St Augustine's

PARISHIONERS and Friends will be gathering at St Augustine's Church, Penarth on Sunday, August 25 to celebrate the life of St Augustine of Hippo to whom the church is dedicated. IT is the church's patronal festival to remember this patron saint of theologians, printers and brewers.

"It is", said Cathy Grove, chair of the Friends of St Augustine's who are organising the day, "a special day for St Augustine and we intend to remember him with music and praise in a spirit of respect, welcome and enjoyment."

Well-known organist Robert Court will give a

recital at 3.30pm of some favourites, including the Toccata from Widor's 5th symphony and the Toccata and Fugue in D minor by JS Bach. Entry is £5 on the door (under 16s and students free). The recital will be followed by tea (included in the ticket price).

At 6pm Rev Rose Hill will lead choral even-song, sung by the female members of the St Augustine's singers. To mark St Augustine's connection with beer it is hoped that people will stay after the service to raise a glass to St Augustine. "Top church" is a remarkable landmark in Penarth, standing proud above the town and welcoming people from far and wide. It is dedicated to one of the most remarkable saints of all time – St Augustine of Hippo. The day will begin with sung eucharist at 10.45am.

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# She Loves Me breezes into The Paget Rooms

THE award-winning Concept Players continue their celebration of the company's 25th anniversary, after bringing the classic musical *My Fair Lady* to Penarth in March, by presenting the romantic comedy *She Loves Me* at The Paget Rooms this September.

Based on the 1937 play revealed? The endearing Parfumerie by Hungarian innocence and old-world

playwright Miklós László, this heart-warming musical takes place in the 1930s, where Maraczek's perfumery shop clerks, Georg and Amalia, often do not see eye to eye. However, both have replied to a film *You've Got Mail* and this musical adaptation has had numerous revivals in London and on Broadway recently.

Concept Players have been entertaining and intriguing audiences for a quarter of a century and recent productions such as *Evita*, *The Pirates of Penzance*, *Blood*

elegance of this charming musical has been keeping audiences spellbound for more than 50 years. Adapted a number of times for the big screen, it was the basis of the film *You've Got Mail* and this musical adaptation has had numerous revivals in London and on Broadway recently.

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# Varied speakers this year at Merthyr Mawr WI

IT has been interesting and enjoyable (helped by the glorious weather), see so many of our members attending. We meet the always, was excellent and it was good to first Wednesday of the month at We look for community village ward to our future hall with members talked to us about talks: September from Bridgend organic farming – the author Mary and the Vale. The produce he brought – John Sheen and, to come and join us, in November, 'DNA or simply to visit and Crime' with contact at merthyr-Rhian Morgan. r.mawrwi@gmail.com. We are also planning our celebrations for next year's very welcome. EC

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## CAVC students celebrate 'record year' of A-Level results



**CARDIFF and Vale College (CAVC) is celebrating what the college reports as another record year of success with more students than ever before achieving their AS and A-Level qualifications.**

The number of CAVC students who passed increased by two per cent, while the number of students achieving A to C grades was up by four per cent. On results day, CAVC had 597 students who achieved A\* to C, 146 of them with A and A\* grades.

The subjects Art and Design, Photography, English Language and Literature, Film, French, Religious Studies, Geography, Government

and Politics, Sociology, Chemistry, Further Maths and Physics saw 100 per cent of students pass. More than 75 per cent of students of Art and Design, Photography, English Language and Literature, Film, History and Economics gained grades of A\* to C, while 100 per cent of students studying French achieved A\* to C.

CAVC principal Kay Martin said: "It is always a real pleasure to celebrate our students on A Level results day as these young people embark upon the next chapter of their lives. "I am delighted that for so many people their hard work has paid off and they are now able to progress to further learning, university, or employment."

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## GCSE helpline launches

WITH GCSE results out today, The Exam Results Helpline, delivered by the National Careers Service will be available to provide additional support to students (and their parents) as they receive their exam results.

Callers to the helpline will have direct access to experienced careers advisers who can advise on all the different options available to them including A-levels, GCSEs, BTECs, apprenticeships and other vocational options. Other support will be available on topics such as clearing, university, gap years, moving away from home and re-sits. The helpline will be available on 0800 100 900 from 8am to 10pm 7 days a week.

Sophie Graham, Careers Adviser at the National Careers Service

Exam Results Helpline

on what to do on the day.

For more information, visit [nationalcareers-service.direct.gov.uk](http://nationalcareers-service.direct.gov.uk)

## Recruitment day at care home

A PONTCANNA care home is holding a recruitment day today (Thursday, August 22 from 10am-4pm) as it looks to expand its nursing, kitchen and housekeeping teams.

Tŷ Llandaff, a private nursing, residential and respite care home in Conway Road which opened in 2016, is currently recruiting for experienced night and day care staff to join their dedicated team.

The home is also looking for kitchen and housekeeping staff.

Tŷ Llandaff's Lisa Cristina is keen to hear from committed, friendly and motivated care workers with QCF Health and Social Care qualifications or willing to work towards this standard.

Careers advisers from the Exam Results Helpline, Tom Laws and Sophie Graham, can share top tips and advice on what to do on the day. Sophie Graham, Careers Adviser at the National Careers Service

on what to do on the day. For more information, visit [nationalcareers-service.direct.gov.uk](http://nationalcareers-service.direct.gov.uk)

Lisa said: "At Tŷ

we are thrilled to be recruiting new team members and we look forward to meeting the candidates, and adding to our happy and enthusiastic team at our recruitment day."

For more information about Tŷ Llandaff call Lisa on 02920 600 100, email [info@tyllandaffcare.com](mailto:info@tyllandaffcare.com) or visit [www.tyllandaffcare.com](http://tyllandaffcare.com).

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**As one of the largest colleges in the UK, Cardiff and Vale College (CAVC) offers a huge range of opportunities for young people completing their GCSEs.**

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As the largest college in Wales and one of the best in the country,

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opportunities for young people completing their

last year, nearly 90% of learners progressed to further study, university or employment within three months of leaving

with business and industry, workshops and more. CAVC supports students to stand out from the crowd and progress.

One such student is Bethan Hearne. One of the College's highest A Level achievers last year, Bethan attained A\* grades in Psychology and Biology, as well as

in Maths and Welsh Baccalaureate.

She progressed on

to study Psychology at Oxford University.

"I was quite a shy person who would stick to the back of the class at school so it was nice to put myself out there and go through the application process – coming to the College was definitely beneficial for me," Bethan said. "College helps you become so much more independent and it helped me to believe in myself, so if that's what people need they should definitely come to the College."

In the last year, Cardiff and Vale College has seen many of its students embark upon life-changing experiences, including competing in

competitions to be the best new talent in the career area and showcase their talent to UK employers.

CAVC was the most represented Welsh college at the WorldSkills UK finals and two CAVC students have been selected to represent the UK in the WorldSkills world finals in Russia – widely known as the Skills Olympics.

Hospitality and Catering student Jasmin Jones jetted off to India to represent Wales at the prestigious International Young Chef Olympiad competition. Jasmin was sponsored by the Cardiff Hoteliers' Association and had a transformative experience cooking among the most promising young chefs in the world.

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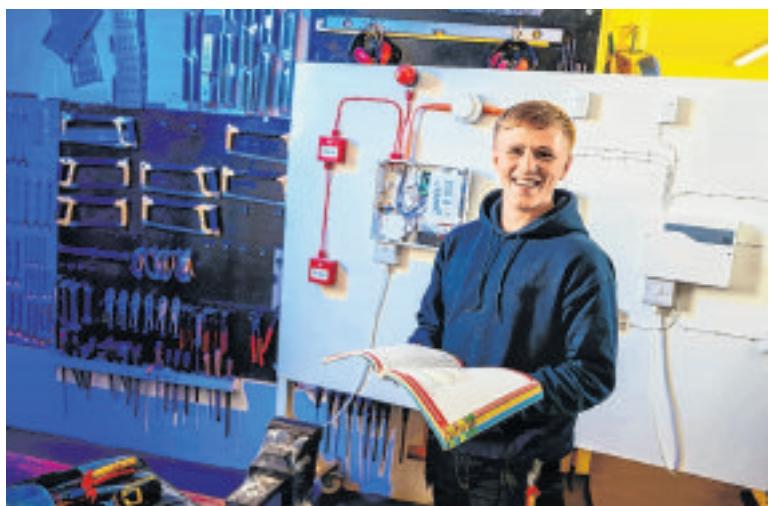
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# Out & About with The GEM

## Seven top tips for exercising in summer

**DRINKING** before exercising, trying a different time of day and knowing the medical risks are three of the seven top tips for being active outside in summer sun and heat.

Fitness fans have been urged to stay well hydrated, adjust their routines and know their limits when working out in the sun and heat.

Experts from health and fitness site Vivoton.com have revealed their seven top tips for Brits heading outdoors to exercise over the summer.

Whether running and cycling or participating in other sports and outdoor activities, the specialists have warned that failure to adjust accordingly to hot conditions could hinder fitness progress and potentially harm overall health.

A spokesperson for Vivoton.com said: "More Brits will be encouraged to get active outdoors during spells of warm weather over the summer, but direct sunlight and increased heat can pose extra challenges to exercising.

It's especially important to wear appropriate summer clothing, get plenty of water into your system before you feel like you need it and avoid the midday sun.

"If you start to feel uncomfortable or notice any signs of heat exhaustion, stop immediately and try to cool down as quickly as possible."

When exercising in summer:



1. Keep hydrated: it's particularly vital when active during summer heat to make sure you keep sufficiently hydrated at all times.

That means drinking plenty of preferably cold water, or specialist sports drinks for intense activity, and avoiding alcohol. Try to take fluids on-board proactively, before you're thirsty.

The NHS advises that symptoms of dehydration, which can cause muscle cramps, include dark and odorous urine, urinating less and less frequently, dizziness or light-headedness, tiredness and a dry mouth, lips or eyes.

2. Try a different time of day: if you normally for a run, cycle or play sports outdoors during the afternoon, blazing sunshine should make you think again.

Try getting up earlier and exercising while it's cool before work, or head outside as the temperature starts to drop later into the evening, but steer clear of excessive activity while exposed to the 'midday sun' between 11am and 3pm.

It might also be worth considering a temporary change to your typical routine or activities and an alternative location, such as an indoor gym.

3. Gradually get used to conditions: If your body is used to participating in outdoor activities during the winter, with cold air and rain to keep it cool, it's important to acclimatise to exercising in heat gradually.

Gradually build up your activity levels, conduct a thorough warm-up and make sure you know your fitness level – don't push yourself too hard, too soon in challenging conditions and seek out shade wherever possible.

4. Dress wisely: Brits heading outdoors to exercise in summer heat should choose light coloured, loose clothing that's made from an appropriate, ventilated sporting material rather than cotton.

A pair of shorts and a t-shirt should normally do the trick – forget about sweatshirts, tracksuits, joggers and long socks.

Don't forget to take a cap or sunglasses and sun cream too, if it's a particularly bright day, and a towel cooling and mopping your brow.

5. Know your medical limits: It's crucial to know how any medication or

pre-existing conditions you have, such as diabetes or heart problems, may or may not affect your ability to exercise in higher temperatures.

If you're unsure, consult a medical professional and don't do any activity that could pose unnecessary risks and harm, rather than help, your overall health.

6. Watch out for heat exhaustion and heatstroke: According to the NHS, signs of heat exhaustion include headaches, dizziness and confusion, loss of appetite, feeling sick, excessive sweating, pale skin, cramps in the limbs or stomach, fast breathing or pulse, being very thirsty and a body temperature above 38C.

Children may also become floppy or sleepy.

If you can't cool down within 30 minutes and it turns into heatstroke, it needs to be treated as an emergency. The NHS says other signs of heatstroke include feeling dry and not sweating despite being too hot, rapid or short breath, confusion, a body temperature of 40C or higher, unresponsiveness, loss of consciousness or seizures.

7. Take a cold shower: Taking a cold bath or shower after working out in the heat will lower your core body temperature and be more comfortable than soaking in hot water.

Coldness can also help to lower the risk of muscle soreness and injury after exercise by reducing inflammation and speeding up recovery.

## National Trust at Dyffryn

A CONSERVATION event is being held at Dyffryn House next week where visitors can learn all about mercury.

Staff will be cleaning the property's mirrors, which are made using mercury, and discussing why it was used and how the element is managed.

Guests will also be able to watch a demonstration to see what happens to mercury when it breaks down and the possible dangers.

The event is set to take place from midday until 3pm on August 28.

## Get closer to nature

NATURE lovers will be able to roam around meadows and survey a whole host of creatures at an upcoming bug hunt.

Wildlife Trusts Wales is holding the event at its Parc Slip Visitor Centre in Tondu between 2pm and 3.30pm on August 28.

Organisers are urging visitors to wear trousers and sturdy walking boots as there is long vegetation and the meadows can be rough in places.

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## A day of medieval madness in the castle with the accent very much on family fun

**F**ON MONCASTLE in the Vale is opening its doors for a 'medieval mid-week madness' event on Wednesday, August 28, with entry to the day free.

A spokesman for Fonmon Castle said: "The August Bank Holiday is early this year and we are aware that parents will be trying to keep the children entertained for another week before it is time for them to go back to school.

"Therefore, we are hosting another FREE event, and the Fonmon Estate will be brought to life with medieval knights and ladies."

"As well as watching the knights fight, families can walk through the dinosaur area, and younger children can play in the sandpit.

"Fonmon's medieval mid-week madness will leave your children chatting about the experience right up until it's time to go back to school."

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**EATING out at a pub is not straightforward these days - you need to be sure about what you want.**

There are gastro pubs who pitch their ambitions (and their prices) high, and then there are cheap and cheerful pubs where you get the feeling that meals are bought in and simply reheated.

The Sycamore Tree in Colwinston is proud to be neither.

It is one year since Mark and Emma took over and their aim, together with chef Rhys, is to offer good quality, home-made traditional pub food, and on the evidence of our recent evening meal, they have got it dead right.

My guest and I enjoyed two three-course meals, and each course was a pleasure to eat, in a relaxed and spacious dining room.

To be honest, my first thought at looking through the menu was "this is all a bit too cheap".

Starters are between £4 and £5, and desserts go from £3 to £3.95, but they are not cutting corners at The Sycamore Tree.

I started with something that had to be home-made, Welsh rarebit on a pretzel baguette, and it was a tasty take on a Welsh classic.

My guest enjoyed her

baked brie in golden breadcrumbs, with an onion relish, and it was full of flavour.

When you move on to main courses at the Sycamore Tree, you are spoilt for choice.

There are half-a-dozen pub classics, some tempting steak options, three fish courses, three salads, seven vegetarian options (one vegan) and some chef's specials too.

My guest chose the lasagne (£9.50), and pronounced it the best she had had in years - loaded with meat and all in a great sauce.

Mark is proud to say that all the meat is bought locally, and most comes from nearby farms. He says that you can expect a 30-minute wait for a main course, because it is prepared from scratch.

This was certainly the case with my main course, 8oz marinated lamb rump, pea and mint risotto with honey-glazed carrots with a red wine jus (£14.95).

The lamb was tender and succulent, and the sauce tasted as good as it read on the menu (sadly, not always the case in restaurants these days). The pea and mint risotto was just as tasty, as were the carrots.

When food is as tasty as this, you don't pass on the dessert, even if you are a bit full, and there is plenty of

temptation on the menu. For both of us, the word 'home-made' jumped out at us and so my guest chose the chef's homemade cider toffee apple crumble.

It's fair to say that words failed her, but she did let me try a spoonful, and I can confirm that it was rich, sweet, and a beautiful balance between the key ingredients.

I went for the chef's homemade Penderyn barabrieth bread & butter pudding, with custard. I'm a pushover when it comes to bread and butter pudding, but I was a bit nervous that using barabrieth might spoil the texture.

It absolutely did not, and it was another example of a deeply luxurious, satisfying dessert. They were both £3.95 and I can think of several restaurants where I would have paid £6.95 for the same without batting an eyelid.

Incidentally, at just £3, you can have a lighter dessert, a choice of award-winning ice creams from Fablas, including menus, go based just down the road in the Penllyn Estate.

which was excellent.

Mark adds that chef Rhys welcomes the challenge of dealing with different dietary requirements. Apart from the seven vegetarian options, he has solutions for a number of requests, including gluten free batter for a fried fish option.

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## Swing band comes to Dyffryn

**A CLASSIC swing-ing jazz band is set to entertain crowds at Dyffryn Gardens tomorrow evening as part of the venue's summer music nights.**

Cardiff-based Easy Street, which plays a blend of swing, latin and blues tunes with a string of instruments, will be taking to the stage from 6pm until 8pm.

The National Trust property, near St

Nicholas and Dyffryn, will be hosting another musical night on August 30 with Welsh made voice choir Hims and Arias performing.

Concert-goers are being encouraged to bring a blanket and a fold-up chair. The event will take place indoors if it rains.

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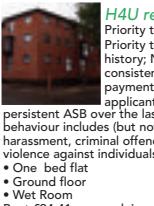
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# A tale of sacrifice at Pegasus Bridge



From left: The original Pegasus Bridge is now in the Memorial Pegasus in Ranville; the replacement across the Caen Canal; Reverend Parry's grave in Bénouville churchyard.

FROM Saint-Lô [see last week's Gem], it is on to a happier, of sorts, place.

Bénouville, in Calvados, lays claim to having the first building – Café Gondrée – to be liberated on D-Day.

The café, which later doubled as a first aid station, itself was of limited tactical importance but the Caen Canal and the bascule bridge – since renamed Pegasus Bridge and replaced in 1992, the original, bullet-scarred one in the nearby museum – and a few miles inland from Sword Beach (which stretches some five miles from Ouistreham to Saint-Aubin-sur-Mer), and en route to Caen was.

In a feat of precision flying that is not lauded sufficiently, three Horsa gliders

towed by Halifax bombers from Tarrant Rushton in Dorset to within 10 miles made a rough landing on the opposite bank at 0016, 0017, and 0018hrs\*, 50 yards from the bridge and within yards of each other.

Operation Deadstick was led by Major John Howard of the Ox and Bucks Light Infantry, his men – including the six pilots/co-pilots who were fighting men of the Glider Pilots' Regiment – took the bridge with one task: hold until relieved. An equivalent force was tasked to take the bridge over the River Orne at Ranville, a few miles away.

\*By a peculiarity of British Double Summer Time and German/Middle-European time, the six gliders were on the ground from 0016hrs BST and also at 2316hrs on D-Day -1.

Once the bridges were secured, in one of the most audacious *coup de main* actions of WWII, the code words 'Ham' and 'Jam' – one for each bridge indicating they had been taken – were sent.

Maj Howard's lightly-armed force was reinforced by men – including Pipey Bill Millin – of Brigadier, The Lord Lovat's 1st Special Service Brigade later that day after repelling numerous counter attacks.

The first action and the first battle of D-Day led, naturally, to its first casualty.

That unwanted honour goes to Lieutenant Den Brotheridge, who was shot within minutes of landing, and is buried in Ranville churchyard.

At rest in Bénouville churchyard is Reverend George Parry of the Royal Army Chaplains' Department.

He landed at Ranville with the glider-borne assault troops; chaplains would tend to both the spiritual and medical needs of their fighting flocks.

Rev Parry – according to numerous accounts, including from the actor Richard Todd, who landed at Pegasus Bridge and later played Maj Howard in the film *The Longest Day* – was bayoneted to death by Germans while protecting his wounded comrades, who were also killed, in contravention of all laws of war.

No trip to Bénouville is complete without at least a drink – raised, of course, to the gallant actions of the British Forces – in Café Gondrée.

The formidable and formidable Madame Gondrée was four when the café – her home from which her parents helped the

Resistance during WWII – was liberated. The café is a shrine to the men who landed that night and fought, and each year surviving veterans make their pilgrimage to 'Peggy Bridge', where, from 0016hrs onwards, she provides them all with Champagne.

Pegasus Bridge was – much to the annoyance of many veterans and French people, not least of whom is Mme Gondrée – 're-baptised' as *Le pont pour la paix entre les peuples* (The bridge for peace between peoples) for the 75th anniversary of D-Day.

Part Three next week.  
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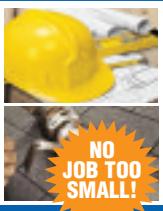
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**ELLIOTT****Cecil Raymond (Sid)**

Peacefully at Milson House on 9th August 2019, Sid aged 92 years. Beloved husband of the late Margaret, much loved dad of Janet and Frank, loved grandfather and great grandfather.

*Sid will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.*

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until the service on Monday, 2nd September at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 11am. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for Colitis & Crohn's Disease c/o the funeral director.

**PALMER****George Peter**

(former proprietor of Cardiff and Barry Zoo)

George passed peacefully on 11th August 2019 at The Forge Care Centre, aged 95 years.

*He will be sadly missed by his family and friends.*

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service at 2pm on Monday, 2nd September at our Chapel of Rest, followed by committal at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

Family flowers only. Donations, if desired, to WFWF c/o funeral director.

**MATTHEWS****Glenys Doreen**

Passed away peacefully on 12th August 2019 at the Shire Hall Care Home. Beloved and devoted wife of the late Edgar, loving and cherished mum of Jacqueline, Julie and the late beautiful Wendy. Adored nan of Jason, Nathan, Katie and great grandmother of Daniel and Lucy.

*She will live on in our memories and hearts.*

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeral Care until the Service in Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry on Thursday, 29th August at 2pm. Flowers may be sent to the A.G. Adams Funeral Home.

**WEARE****Valerie**

Peacefully at home in Sennybridge. Cherished wife of the late Gerald Weare, Loving mother to Andrew, Philip, Janet and Ian and sister to Blake.

Funeral service to take place at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road East, Barry on Friday, 6th September 2019 at 12 noon.

Family flowers only. Donations to the Alzheimers Society please.

Enquiries to E J Morgan Funeral Directors, Pentrefelin. Tel 01874 636766.

**ASHBY****Stephen William**

At Llandough Hospital on Tuesday, 6th August 2019. Deary loved husband of Heather. Proud and much loved Pop of Victoria and Simon, Richard and Samantha, and grandson Danny. Dear brother of Ron, Peter and their families, and much missed by Spike his four legged friend. Former Detective Sergeant, South Wales Police.

Funeral Service to take place at the Church of the Resurrection, Grand Avenue, Ely, Cardiff at 11.45am on Tuesday, 3rd September 2019, followed by cremation at 1pm at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry.

No flowers, donations appreciated to Ward E14, Llandough Hospital, where staff cared for Stephen and his family with compassion and efficiency during his last few days, or to Alzheimers Research. *Adios Amigo!*

Further enquiries to Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service 01446 407962.

**MITCHELL****Susan Mary**

Peacefully on 14th August at Llandough Hospital, Sue, well known for her time as a dinner lady in Barry and beloved wife to the late Graham.

Cherished mum of Austin and Victoria, an adored Nanny Sue of Charlotte, Paige and Gethyn.

*She will be greatly missed by all her family and many friends.*

Sue is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Vale Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until her service at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Barry on Wednesday, 4th September at 2pm.

Floral tributes may be sent to the funeral home. Further enquiries please telephone 01446 407962.

**WILLIAMS****David Charles**

David sadly passed away on 12th August 2019. A loving husband of Sue, cherished father of Christine and Andrew and much loved grandfather and great grandfather to all his grandchildren.

*He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.*

Funeral service to be held on Thursday, 29th August 2019 at St. Peter's Church, Dinas Powys at 2.45pm, followed by committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 4pm.

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*Joe will be greatly missed by all who knew him.*

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until his funeral service on Tuesday, 3rd September at 10am at Coyauchurh Crematorium.

Donations, if desired, in lieu of flowers in memory of Joe, may be made to NET Cancer Foundation. (<https://www.netpatientfoundation.org/make-a-donation/give-in-memory/>)

## MARTIN

## Christopher John

Tragically on 5th August 2019, Chris aged 66 years. Darling husband of Christine, much loved dad of Vicki and Stuart and step daughters Kelly and Rachel. An adored grandad to Toby, Charlie, Conner, Olivia, Bella and Josh.

*Chris will be greatly missed by all his family and friends.*

Resting at W.A. Brown Funeralcare until the service at St Iltyd's Church on Thursday, 29th August at 1.15pm, followed by committal at Coyauchurh Crematorium. Please wear bright colours. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for the Pituitary Gland Foundation c/o the funeral director.

## LAITY

## Ronald Cecil

Peacefully on 14th August 2019 at Llandough Hospital, after a short illness with his family present, Ron, aged 83 years. Beloved husband of the late Elizabeth much loved dad to Hugh and Mark, loved grandpa to Dan, Emma, Ben and Owen.

*Ron will be sadly missed by all his family and friends.*

Resting at A.G. Adams Funeralcare until the service in the Chapel of Rest on Friday, 6th September at 10am, followed by committal at Cardiff & Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry. Family flowers only. Donations in lieu, if so desired, for Macmillan c/o the funeral director.

## WEBSTER

## Sydney Gordon

Passed away peacefully on 14th August at Milson House Nursing Home, St Athan. Gordon from Boverton, Llantwit Major was the beloved husband of the late Marjorie, dearly loved father of Mandy and husband Dave and the late Cheryl and much loved by all his grandchildren, their partners and great grandchildren.

*He was deeply loved and will be greatly missed by all.*

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## RICKETTS

## Alfred Royston (Roy)

Peacefully on Friday, 9th August 2019, after a brief period in hospital, Roy of Bridgeman Road, Penarth (Formerly of Cowbridge). Much loved husband of Vicki-Ann and the late Mary, devoted dad to Martin and Lorraine, loved and sadly missed by all his family and friends.

Funeral service on Thursday, 29th August 2019 at Cardiff and Glamorgan Crematorium, Port Road, Barry at 1pm. Family flowers only by request however the retiring collection will be donated to The Stroke Association.

Enquiries to Gareth Watts, Owen E Jones & Co Ltd, Maesteg. Tel 01656 733167.

## DAVIES

## Hilda May (née Taylor)

Peacefully on 8th August at Llandough Hospital, surrounded by her adored family, Hilda, devoted wife to the late Terry, much loved mum of Angela and Pat. A cherished man and great nan to all her grandchildren.

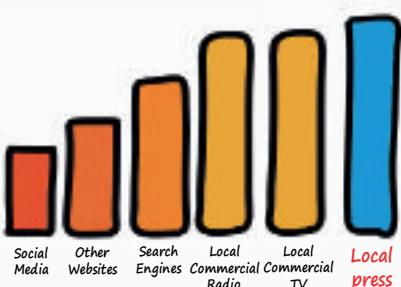
*She will be so greatly missed by all who knew and loved her.*

Hilda is resting in the care of Lyndsay Ellis @ The Funeral Service, Court Road, Barry until her service at St Helen's RC Church, Barry on Wednesday, 28th August at 10.45am, followed by interment at Barry Cemetery.

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# Close game for Cadoxton at Penarth

THE visit to Penarth by Cadoxton for a Munro Cup resulted in a narrow two-shot success for the home side.

The disappointment was that on the final end, seven shots were conceded with just one scored.

Ian Hepenstall dropped behind 4-11 on his rink, but a five and two levelled the scores. The game was tight for the next few ends until a one-shot advantage was taken on the penultimate, only to concede a three on the last.

Derek Jeffries rink took a 5-1 advantage on the fifth, only to concede a four on the next. They then had a 10-end sequence, during which they lost just a single. Unfortunately, five shots were conceded during the last three ends.

Howard Craven had a competitive match against Nick Chandler during which 13 of the ends produced singles. Nine of these went to the visitors, with a lead of 15-8 going into the final end; unfortunately a three was conceded.

In the other rink skipped by Mike Hurley five and six were conceded early in the game and they could never recover, although they did have a final end win.

**Rink scores:** J Stacey, D Tuck, W Craven, H Craven 15-11 M Conway, B Lewis, B Horne, N Chandler; G Solomon, G Goddard, E Palmer, M Hurley 10-28 T Buckmham, D Blainey, P Crocker, C Grant; A Prince, A Ralphs, S Clarke, D Jeffries 25-11 C Burton, B Willmot, D Plank, C Fry, E Heppenstall, M Curtis, D Sluman, I Heppenstall 16-18 G Fox, L Fry, T Ingrovile, S Booker. **Final score 66-68.**

## August 17 - Cadoxton v Murch CML5 - Away

ALTHOUGH playing with a much weakened side, the Cadoxton team performed admirably to take 11 of the 14 available points at The Murch.

Howard Craven's rink led the way by compiling a 23-3 advantage after 15 ends. They only added one further shot during the remaining six ends but restricted the other five all to singles. Derek Jeffries had to fight back from an early scare with just three successes in the first 12 ends. He completed by winning the remaining ends.

Mike Hurley had a partial success on his rink, which looked promising after taking a 20-9 advantage with five ends remaining. However, the home side fought back and a four on the last end tied the score.

Steve Clarke, playing in an unaccustomed position as skip, won three of the opening five ends but with just four more successes the rink was well beaten.

**Scores:** J Stacey, E Davies, W Craven, H Craven 24-8 M Warman, T Robison, B Toger, I Williams; A Ralphs, D Jenkins, P Elwes, S Clarke 12-25 C Spitman, T Phillips, G Cane, R Rathusba; A Prince, J Papoutsou, D Sluman, D Jeffries 20-10 D Pook, D Davies, J Allan, G Russell, G Goddard, E Palmer, G Smith, M Hurley 20-20 D Perkins, J Arlington, D Rolan, A Perry. **Final score 76-63.**

**DK**

# Three winners at Leicester for Probert

WELSH speaking jockey David Probert, who hails from Bargoed, has had a rather lean time of late, but last Saturday he bounced back in the winners' enclosure at Leicester when riding three winners and the last two of them were for Chepstow trainer Ron Harris.

On the long odds-on favourite *Zoraya*, he took the Blaby Selling Stakes over seven furlongs for Paul Cole and later in the day he won the six-furlong *Rotherby Handicap* on 11-2 chance *Eye Of The Water* and then the closing five furlong *Thurcaston Handicap* on 10-1 shot *Secret Potion*.

At the corresponding meeting last year, he was successful on *Rebel Streak* and *Perfect Symphony*.

*Zoraya* won by seven lengths from *Hold Your Breath*.

*Eye Of The Water* had one-and-a-quarter lengths to spare over *Stollone* and *Secret Potion* scored by two-and-a-quarter lengths from *One Boy*.

Report by Brian Lee

# Pre-season friendly is a tough test for the Athletic

**DIVISION 1 West**  
**Central Bridgend**  
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**English Division**  
**2 North side Hull**  
**RUFC to the Morgans**  
**Brewery Field for a pre-season friendly.**

The occasion saw former Bridgend half backs Gerald Williams and Gary Pearce reunited on opposing sides. Gerald is a coach with BARFC while Gary is director of rugby of the professional North of England side.

The match was preceded by a minute's silence to respect the memory of Athletic chairman Andrew Tellem.

The line up with the visitors boosted by recruiting Fijians, Samoans and Argentine players emphasised the difference in stature of the two sides, with the Hull side in most cases at least three stone heavier and three inches taller than the home side.

For an hour the Athletic made light of their size disadvantage, leading 12-7, before the Hull side with a bench equally as big as the starting line-up possessed the power to take advantage of the Athletic changes and tiredness crept in, competing against more physically endowed opponents.

The Athletic first choice front row of props veteran Wayne Fooks, Matthew Muir and hooker Lee Murphy supported by locks Ben Cording and the experienced Jonathon Stoker more than held their own in the scrums, with Cording and Stoker securing their own line out ball.

The visitors with no set piece joy changed their front row after 30 minutes.

The Athletic made a very positive start to the game. From a line out just outside the Hull 22 hooker Lee Murphy found lock Stoker. The

much lighter Athletic

side surprised the visitors with a well-executed driving maul for 20 metres that was illegally halted just short of the try line.

Outside half Luke Bevan kicked the resultant penalty to touch for a five-metre line out. This time Murphy found Cording and a driving maul at pace crossed the

try line for flanker Ben Howe to gain the first Athletic try of the season. Howe, leading the side for the fourth successive season, showed he is again putting his hand up to replicate his last campaign as the Athletics' leading try scorer. Bevan converted to give his side a seven-point advantage.

The Athletic continued taking the game to their opponents. Scrum half Aled Thomas was lively in getting his back line moving and disrupting his opposite number's ball. Bevan ran and kicked astutely bringing centres Tom Jenkins and Tom

Davies into play. Davies made a series of breaks only just held short of the line while Jenkins was to the forefront in tackling very large forwards and backs. Wing Joe Patterson ran hard when the opportunity arose and Hywel Cosby and Robin Davies also played well.

On the 20-minute mark Hull launched a succession of very powerful attacks on the Athletic line. Although the Athletic defence mainly stood firm they were finally breached when centre Keane Naylor crossed. Outside half Simon Hudlestone's conversion levelled the scores.

Good carries by locks Jonathon Stoker and Ben Cording along with the back row of Howe, Ben Davies and Will Petchell continued to cause the Hull side problems.

Centre Tom Davies broke past three players and was held just short of the try line with his attempted potential try

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scoring offload going forward in contact. The half

ended all square at 7-7. Again five minutes into the second half had come on in the back row for the injured Will

Hull were penalised at Petchell and scrum half Matthew Hobby and full back Cameron Lewis

see along with fellow coaches Stuart Morris and David Williams and Gerald Williams were delighted with the Athletic's performance.

The coaches will have a better opportunity to gauge their preparations for Div 1 West Central this season when the team face Div 1 East Central rivals St Joseph's, away this Saturday, August 24.

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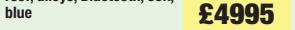
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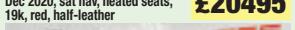
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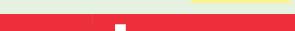
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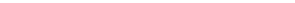
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# Millwood win Windsor Open tournament



The Millwood team who won the Windsor Open Tournament. On the right is Denis Turnbull of Denis Turnbull Decorating Services who, along with Matt Woodcock of Glamorgan Motors, kindly sponsored the tournament.

ON the domestic front, the Windsor Alliance team went down by a mere two shots against Penylan Bowling Club. The PG1 team, facing another win, this time a tough away game at home to Rhiwbina. Rhiwbina had a superb win by 87 shots to 68, for the team having thereby securing 11 points and leapfrogging above their opponents in the league table. Leading the way were Ellis, Morris, Jeff and Ellis and John King 34-14; Evans, Thorne, after 12 ends). Other and for Dave Howells Hope and Hudson 19-19; scores were: Peregrine, with Alan Davies, Brian Flitney, Williams, Lewis Hardess, Cucciniello and Rogers and Tom Evans. and Carlisle 17-19; Follen, Daniel, King and Davies narrow defeat, it was and McLeod 17-16. D 17-18; Mathias, a very good week for the Windsor men. PG2 team secured yet and Hales 20-13.

Rink scores were: Rogers and Howells by Matthews, Gooding, 24 shots to 12 (and this Dave Johnson, Roger Stevens and Woodcock after being 12-5 down Ellis and John King 34-14; Evans, Thorne, after 12 ends). Other and for Dave Howells Hope and Hudson 19-19; scores were: Peregrine, with Alan Davies, Brian Flitney, Williams, Lewis Hardess, Cucciniello and Rogers and Tom Evans. and Carlisle 17-19; Follen, Daniel, King and Davies narrow defeat, it was and McLeod 17-16. D 17-18; Mathias, a very good week for the Windsor men. PG2 team secured yet and Hales 20-13.

## Munro Cup results for the Barry Romilly Bowls Club

ON August 7, Barry skip Steve Close - 11-19. Romilly played at Rink 3: Paul James, Jerry Daly, Millwood.

Rink 2: Eric Fortt, Paul Swannick, Kelvin Mills, skip Alan Bannister - 17-15.

Rink 3: Arthur Champ, Mike Gronow, Gwyn Rees, skip Mike Doyle - Romilly lost, 10-16.

Rink 4: Brian Parker, Dave Noble, John Kirk, skip Ray Hewitson - Romilly rink couldn't get into the game and lost 6-30.

Rink 5: Paul James, Peter Hunt, Roger Jones, skip Tony Freeman - Romilly rink built up a healthy lead and kept the pressure on their opponents to win 24-8.

Aggregate result 64-63. August 10, Romilly first team entertained Pontypridd and secured their second consecutive win.

Rink 1: Alan Bannister, Paul Swannick, Gary Eastment, skip Jeff Wright - 17-23.

Rink 2: Eric Fortt, Terry Bloomfield, Steve Close, skip Mike Doyle - Romilly again built up a healthy lead and maintained it to win 25-14.

Aggregate result 55-70. Rink 3: Alan Bryan, On August 14, Dave Noble, Clive Collins, skip Brian Bellevue Bowling Club. Foscoto - Romilly A very closely fought put on an impressive match on all rinks. display to win 30-8.

Rink 1: Alan Jones, Rink 4: Jerry Barrie Griffiths, Mike Daly, Roger Jones, Gronow, skip Ray Gwyn Rees, skip Mel

Hewitson - 18-17. Newman - 17-18. Rink 2: Eric Fortt, Phil Edwards, Tony Freeman, JWK

# Cowbridge 2nd XI slip up at Felinfoel

LAST weekend, Cowbridge's game against Felinfoel was played on Sunday rather than Saturday as a result of an agreement reached between the sides earlier in the season.

The side travelled west, hopeful the rain would hold off long enough for a game to be played. Upon arrival, Joe won the toss and seeing that the wicket was quite green decided to bowl first. Unfortunately, Cowbridge started slightly depleted as a result of Heath Webb having been taken ill before the innings commenced.

However: credit must be given to Felinfoel who allowed Cowbridge a substitute fielder, so Cowbridge had a full complement of players.

The Felinfoel innings started slowly as a result of good bowling from Joe and John Gilbert. Joe was the first to strike with the score at 35 off 11 overs. This brought to the crease the Felinfoel

number 3, R Jones, who fact that they would Cowbridge were aware need to up the scoring rate if they were player.

Able supported by the remaining Felinfoel did indeed come from opener, he began to hit both Alastair Lawson and Heath Webb, who around with alarming had thankfully made a ease. Despite some recovery from his earlier sickness, who put the likes of John Gilbert together an excellent and Guy Parker, who partnership. Heath was finished with superb then unluckily run out figures of 4 for 28 off 7 overs, the Felinfoel continued to bat very well. R Jones finishing with for 39 with Cowbridge an excellent 87 runs, finishing on 169 off emphasising his first their 40 overs, there XI status and S Jones fore falling agonisingly with 54, Felinfoel finished close to the Felinfoel 40 overs.

It was very disappointing that Cowbridge total but Cowbridge were unable to get over were hopeful that if the line. Cowbridge they batted well they will rue some indifference will overhaul it. Things started brightly between the wickets, for Cowbridge with which cost them dearly. openers Naveed Younis Hopefully Cowbridge and Jonty Webb putting will be more successful next week against Drefach.

Unfortunately, Finally, mention Naveed was then should go to Joe who trapped lbw for 20 unfortunately pulled a hamstring while fielding and was unable to bat. We all hope he makes a speedy recovery. JW

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# Vale skipper Mark makes the right choice as second team win again

**VALE** Seconds through JP Davies and entertained Penarth James Snelson with thirds at Corntown where Vale Skipper Mark Francis continued his run of winning the toss and had no hesitation in electing to bowl following the heavy rain that had fallen in the week.

Vale's opening bowlers Idris Merry and Richie Humphreys responded well by restricting Penarth to just 15 runs off the first 8 overs. Humphries had also picked up a wicket, having Viner caught behind by Ashley Taylor.

Such was the control Humphreys had he was bowled through to finish with figures of 1-14 off 8 overs. Francis brought on his reliable change bowling combination of Tom Taylor and Tom Lazarus who once again didn't disappoint. Taylor bowled his left arm spin with good control while Lazarus consistently bowled a good length and made life difficult for the Penarth batsmen. Lazarus' nagging length paid off as he removed both Penarth's main scorers, bowling Adams for 28 and Ashley Taylor produced a smart piece of stumping to remove top scorer Tillbrook for 40. Lazarus finished with figures of 2-25 to finish 55 not out as off 8 overs and Taylor, although unlucky to be target in the 30th over, wicketless again, went

This was a ruthless for less than three an performance by Vale over, finishing with figures of 0-22 from 8 overs. contributions all through

Tom Taylor was the side and with only 2 instrumental in a run games to go Vale 2nds out as a throw from the look set to be crowned boundary to the bowler Division 7 champions. Lazarus, who then The Bridgend Ford threw to the keeper, saw Vale Second XI man Penarth lose their third of the match was wicket. Penarth were Ashley Taylor for his struggling to post a competitive total as Vale continued to apply pressure

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# All to play for at the top of the league as Cavaliers notch big win at Mumbles

AS the season is starting to draw to a close, Division 5 of the South Wales Cricket Association is far from over.

Recent weeks have brought a number of surprises which have resulted in the top five teams still being in with a shout for promotion.

Last Saturday saw two of the top five clash with Llantwit Major Cavaliers travelling to Mumbles. The reverse fixture earlier in the season saw the Cavs romp to a 10-wicket victory but with general availability being a factor, the result was not a foregone conclusion.

The Cavs' captain, Gareth Toutt, with the toss and elected to bowl on the Mumbles artificial track.

The Cavs' opening bowlers applied pressure from the very first over with Ieuan Williams bowling a superb line which caused the Mumbles opener all sorts of trouble before he bowled the No 4. The holed out to Craig Thomas as short cover. The 'tail' and it wasn't

Williams and his long before Mumbles his 50 in the 15th over fellow opener Steve had been bowled out and two balls later after scoring 102. Romana had picked up another three wickets, with Toutt adding one to his total and Charlie courtesy of a fine catch from Scott Buckley, Woodley-Thomas chip-leaving Mumbles ping in with a wicket.

2 down with just 17 runs on the board. total Mumbles were

The next Mumbles in a confident mood pairing soon settled and started to believeing that their build their innings could tear through the

Over the next eight overs they scored freely but with the ball spending

much of the time in the air the Cavs knew

that it was only a matter of time before the next wicket would fall.

The double bowling

change bringing Rob

Toutt and Gurpreet

Romana into the action

was the catalyst for a flurry of wickets. First

Toutt forced an error

from the No 3 as he

edged one to keeper

Tom Gill. With the next

ball the No 5 played on.

Williams Sensing 'blood'

Romana wanted some

caused the Mumbles

of the action and in

open all sorts of his third over, he clean

trouble before he bowled the No 4. The

holed out to Craig

Cavs were now into

Thomas as short cover. the 'tail' and it wasn't

for what was to come.

After 8 overs the

opening bowlers had

been taken off with the

score on 51. The change

of pace didn't slow the

run rate as Thomas

repeatedly found the

race for promotion.

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## Llantwit bowlers lose but hold their place in the league

**LAST** Thursday evening Llantwit Major Men's A team made the trip to Kenfig Hill to play their penultimate Rockwool Triples League game of the current season.

The Llantwit Major Ladies were playing on the same rink that afternoon. Sadly, Llantwit's winning run came to an end as Kenfig proved too strong an opponent on the day. Stand-out performers for Llantwit were Andy Vincent, John Moisan and Geoff Timmins who, having lost the first two ends, took the next three to take the lead.

They scored a six on the 10th end and emerged winners by 19 shots to 11 at the close of play. Mike Eyleigh, Stuart Comer and John O'Brien were tenacious as ever and were unlucky to come away with a narrow defeat by two shots: rink score 16-18.

Viv Phillips, John

## St Mary's seniors compete in a novel competition

**THE** continued good weather tempted an excellent field of 39 members to tee off in St Mary's Golf Club's senior section's annual yellow ball stableford competition.

This is a team event in which the participants are assigned to three ball groupings. One member of each group is designated the 'yellow ball player', the designation alternating between each of the three players in strict rotation, hole by hole. The yellow ball score and the better of the other two are then recorded on each hole.

If a yellow ball player fails to score on a particular hole, then just the single (better) score of the other two players is recorded.

The par of 72

Stableford points was comfortably beaten by a number of teams and with two teams tied on 81 points, a count-back

was necessary to decide the placings. The team of Gareth Thomas, Stuart Crowhurst and Steve Philips were declared the victors, leaving Bob Coombes, Jeff Perkins and section captain Dave Hughes to settle for second place.

In their second outing of the week, a somewhat shorter field of 25 played another team competition. On this occasion, however, the popular Texas Scramble format was chosen. This is a stroke play event and with the best of three options taken on every shot, scoring is guaranteed to be low.

With a nine under par net score of 59, the winning team comprised Bryant Thomas, Graham Jones and section chairman Gordon Martin. Owen Maund, Trevor Evans and Phil Hatton were two shots back on net 61.

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## TWO holes in one for Cottrell Park Seniors!



**COTTRELL** Park Golf Resort seniors section hosted their annual Seniors' Open Day competition, taking place on both the Mackintosh and Button Gwinnett Courses.

Over 300 players took part on the day, with 211 of those being visitors to the resort. Players were split into two age categories, each age category having their own competition. Those 55 to 69 years old played the Mackintosh and those 70 years plus played the Button Gwinnett course. Congratulations to the winners of the day: Mackintosh 55 to 69 years old, visitor: Phil Corbet of Bargoed Golf Club with 42 points; home: Shaun Sullivan of Cottrell Park Golf Resort with 41 points. Button 70-plus, visitor: Chris Buckley of St Mellon's Golf Club with 41 points (ACB); home: Bruce Rankine of Cottrell Park Golf Resort with 41 points (ACB).

The day saw not one, but two holes in one, one on each course. Alan Siddall of Radyr Golf Club scored a hole in one on the 12th of the Mackintosh, and Vernon Crowley of Penward Golf on the 16th of the Button Gwinnett! Alongside this a total of 23 twos were scored.

The day was once again a huge success and credit must go to our wonderful seniors section who work tirelessly each year to host such a well-executed event.

Those who took part had the weather on their side and compliments were received regarding the condition of both courses, and this has been reflected in the outstanding scores of the day. The resort would like to congratulate all of those who took part in the day, both competitively and as a volunteer.

## Imogen chalks up second winner

### Brian Lee's racing round-up.

**IMOGEN** Mathias,

17, from Bridgend

chalked up the sec-

ond win of her short

race-riding career

at Nottingham last

Friday when land-

ing the AJA Novice

Flat Amateur Riders

Handicap on the

John Flint-trained

**Gravity** Wave.

A 6-1 chance,

five-year-old

Gravity

Wave won by one-and-

three-quarter lengths

from *Elsie* Violet.

Imogen, who rides

out for Bridgend trainer

Flint, rode her first win-

ner on the Flint-trained

*Winklemann* around

three or four weeks ago

at Leicester and it was

her 13th ride under Rules.

If there is one thing

that Imogen doesn't

like about race-riding it is waiting in the starting stalls for the off! She enjoys netball and karate, but helping out at John Flint's yard she just hasn't the time now that she's "loving every minute of my time with horses."

Her favourite jockey is the legendary Frankie Dettori, and no doubt we will be hearing more from Imogen in the future.

Merthyr Mawr's Jack Tudor landed the opening Conditional and Amateur Riders' Selling Hurdle at Market Rasen last Saturday.

Riding the Dr Noland-trained *Capitoul*, a 9-2 chance, Jack, a champion novice point-to-point rider and the son of former leading amateur rider Jonathan Tudor, got his mount home by half-a-length from the Twiston-Davies-trained *Ballyellis*.

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## 'Unplayable' Spencer mesmerises Tata Steel and sets up conclusive victory for Porthcawl First XI

THE last time performed consistently well throughout the campaign. Porthcawl and Tata Steel met the game ended in a thrilling tie at Locks Lane but there was no tense finish in the return fixture at Margam as the Seasiders romped home comfortably by 123 runs to record their most comprehensive victory of the season.

The Porthcawl attack held such a tight stranglehold over the Steelmen that it took the home side 43.2 overs to limp to 78 all out. Medium pacer Mark Bevan continued his frugal season, which has placed him third in the league's seven divisions for economy, his 10 overs yielding just 17 runs for his two wickets. Skipper Nick Morgan, father of Spencer, continued the vice-like grip that his team had on the game with 1-14 from 10 overs, young Isaak Cronje took 1-16, while Jack Tuck mopped up the innings with a wicket, without conceding, from his eight balls. The visitors also held onto their catches, Mark Dixon grabbing 14-year-old Spencer Morgan who mesmerised the home batsmen with a stunning career-best performance of 4-9 from two.

10 unplayable overs. For the home side, It was a masterclass of Craig Lewis top scored control by Morgan who with 18 before being only broke into the first run out by Mark Lewis team this season but has and the only two other

batsmen to reach double figures were Prasanna Kuma senior and junior who made 15 and 11. Porthcawl Seconds 84-7. Dyffryn Seconds 82 all out.

In a low scoring match on a rain affected wicket at Locks Lane, Porthcawl edged home by three wickets mainly thanks to the inspirational bowling of skipper Josh Aubrey and the excellent batting of veteran Steve Jenkins.

Winning the toss, Aubrey elected to bowl first but the visitors made a steady start despite the loss of two early wickets. Rob Stanton glued the innings together and found a willing partner in Adam Davies, before Aubrey dismissed Davies for 15. Stanton eventually succumbed to Aubrey for a stout 36 but the rest of the batting crumbled.

Aubrey explained his change from off-break to seam bowler. "Our former captain Paul Mason thought I might have a wicket apiece for Sarmo Voleti and Kuma junior. For the home side, John Williams took 3-49 from his 10 over stint and veteran left arm spinner and Welsh over-50 international Peter Doyle took 2-47. There was also a wicket apiece for Sarmo Voleti and Kuma junior.

John Edwards

## A promising pre-season for the Tondu Robins

THAT'S a wrap for this pre-season campaign for Tondu Robins, with seven games played, five in the last 15 days, and just one defeat.

They faced a decent side in Tonyrefail Welfare, but it was well dealt with by the boys.

Tondu started by playing some great football on times and dictating play and it was only a matter of time before a goal came. It arrived from 17-year-old Matthew Pugh recorded admirable figures of 1-11 from eight pacey overs.

Porthcawl were indebted to Steve Jenkins who held the innings together as wickets tumbled. He eventually fell for an excellent 38 but not before he had taken his side to the cusp of victory. No other batsmen reached double figures as the ball dominated.

Winning the toss, Porthcawl were put into the box which found Aled Watkins, which was converted nicely with the outside of his right foot.

More pressure from

Tondu was rewarded

after a corner from

Tonyrefail scored

3-1 just before half

time. In the second half, Tondu lost focus and Tonyrefail scored to make it 3-2, making things a bit more edgy for Tondu supporters.

After a quick for-

mation change, Tondu

started to get back into

their first half domi-

nance and they scored

again when a lovely

ball over the top by

Vigus found Taylor

who had the whole

of the 18-yard box to

himself, found Shaun

Terry, and from six

yards he finished it off

from 15 yards for his

second.

Tonyrefail went on to

Totally in control of things at this point, Tondu pushed on to 3-0 when dead ball technician Matthew Taylor stepped up to a free kick and put it on the top corner.

A bit of sloppy play from Tondu resulted in a quick counter attack to bring the scores back to 3-1 just before half time. In the second half, Tondu lost focus and Tonyrefail scored to make it 3-2, making things a bit more edgy for Tondu supporters.

Thanks go to all the boys involved over the entire pre-season period, all your hard work has been appreciated by all of us. Next season will be a very tough year for us and even tougher for the managers in naming 16 players every week; there will be 12 players missing out weekly, but we ask you to all stick around and give us the support we need as we look to push this club on.

Craig Davies

## Athletic and Porthcawl remember club stalwarts

A PRE-SEASON friendly between predominantly 2nd XV teams from Porthcawl and Bridgend Athletic resulted in the Athletic winning a highly competitive game by 12 points to nil.

Both sides will take many positives from the game as they prepare for different league challenges.

The Athletic 2nd XV have rebranded in the close season as Bridgend Athletic Generals to honour the passing of the club's much-loved chairman Andrew 'The General' Tellem. Prior to the game both sides,

along with Porthcawl

Youth and Gilfach

Youth playing on an

adjacent field, observed

a minute's silence for

Andrew and Porthcawl's

Steve White. Steve was

the father of former Ath

player Josh White, who

is now with Porthcawl

and who kicked the win-

ning goal that secured the

Welsh Bowl Cup Final

for Porthcawl at the end

of season 2017-2018.

During the summer great efforts have been made to integrate the

Athletic senior and

youth sides into com-

mon training regimes.

New Generals' captain,

flanker Joe Patterson was alert and gathered the chip ahead to cross for the opening try of the game. Jones converted to give the Athletic a 7-0 half time lead.

Youth flanker Danny Osarigie who had played well was replaced by Nick Jones. Then the Athletic were disrupted by bad injuries to the centre pairing of Price and Leyshon, who were forced off with shoulder and ankle injuries.

No 8 Will Petchell made several strong carries out of defence as playing with the slope Porthcawl had more territorial second half advantage. However, the Athletic defence was excellent and well organised. It took a moment of magic to break the defensive stranglehold of both sides.

Captain Scott Jones received the ball wide out 40 metres from the line. A dummy saw him break the first line of defence and a sidestep then swerve took him past two further tackles before showing strength to force his way over. This ended the scoring and a satisfactory playing outcome for the Generals - though tempered by the unfortunate injuries to three back line players.

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## Glamorgan Farmers Golf Society members enjoy their day at Cottrell Park

CAPTAIN'S Day for The adjoining Redlands Farm, appeared to unsettle members attached to other neighbouring golf clubs not accustomed to such luxuries. When all scorecards had been checked, Dai Llewellyn was delighted when it was announced he had finished in fourth place with 32 stableford points, just behind John Caines and David Williams, who scored 33, and Tony McCarthy, who returned the winning score of 35 points.

Nearest the pin on the par-3 holes were Gareth Perkins, Dai Llewellyn, David Williams and Tosh Taylor with Julian Kelly hitting the longest drive down the 18th fairway. Unfortunately for Julian his next shot ended up deep in the water adjoining the 18th fairway, which contributed to the 45 balls that failed to make the journey home - a number correctly guessed by Keith James. This raised £100 for Y Bwythyn Newydd.

The society's next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, August 29, at Peterstone Lakes Golf Club where members will be competing for the Anthony Brown Cup and prizes supplied by generous sponsor Mr Mark Brown.

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## Athletic Youth at Gowerton

B R I D G E N D Athletic Youth took a squad of 25 players to Gowerton for the first of three pre-season friendlies, with all the 25 playing a part in a game comprising three 20 minute periods.

A minute's silence pre-game in memory of club chairman Andrew Tellem was particularly poignant with his son George among the Athletic 25.

Both sides scored four tries in an excellent running game, but whereas the Athletic chose to use the occasion to practice moves from kickable penalties, Gowerton showed an intent to game.

This coming Saturday, August 24, the Athletic youth compete in Good Youth combined the Nelson 15 a side tournament. Good Youth combined the Nelson 15 a side tournament.

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